

February 2019

San Diego County Calendar of Events

San Diego Black Film Festival Jan. 30- Feb. 3

In order to spotlight African American & African Diaspora Cinema, we screen over 100 films each year: Comedy, Drama, Documentaries, Animation, GLBT, Horror, Religious, Foreign/African Diaspora, Shorts, Feature Films and music videos.

619-232-0401 / www.sdbff.com

SDSU Writers' Conference Jan. 31-Feb. 2

Whether your goal is direct feedback on your work from a top-tier agent or editor, or simply to elevate your craft and enjoy the camaraderie of a literary community, the 2019 SDSU Writers' Conference is for you.

DoubleTree Hotel San Diego/Mission Valley <https://ces.sdsu.edu>

Youth Fishing Derby Seminar & Campout Feb. 1

Learn to fish from the pros and watch demonstrations on how to properly rig a line the night before the 24th Annual Youth Fishing Derby. Pizza dinner will be served for attendees at 5pm, with the fishing seminar immediately following at 5:30pm.

5-7pm / 14644 Lake Poway Road www.poway.org

Lake Poway Youth Fishing Derby Feb. 2

Fishing, prizes, entertainment, games, bounce houses, a free barbecue lunch and more! Winners must be present to claim prizes at the awards ceremony, which is scheduled at 1pm.

6am-12pm / 14644 Lake Poway Road www.poway.org

Susan G. Komen Pink in the Rink Feb. 2

The San Diego Gulls will be offering fun and exciting things throughout the evening, including a silent auction featuring one-of-a-kind Pink in the Rink Game Jerseys! 100% of the proceeds from the silent auction will benefit Komen San Diego!

7pm / Valley View Casino Center <http://komensandiego.org>

Burn Run 5K Feb. 2

Join the Burn Institute in promoting Burn Awareness Week and raising funds to support burn prevention education and burn survivor support programs. We love pets but please leave them at home as they are not permitted at this event.

7:15am / De Anza Cove Park, Mission Bay www.burninstitute.org

Senior Health & Wellness Expo Feb. 2

Embracing Retirement, Before and After 65. Expert Speakers, Government Agencies, Health Care Providers, Housing Providers, Senior Service Providers, Refreshments, Commemorative bag, Opportunity Drawing.

10am-2pm / Encinitas Senior Community Park
760-753-6041 / www.encinitaschamber.com

Lunar New Year at SeaWorld Feb. 2-18

Enjoy a riveting Chinese acrobat show, be awed by lion dancers, and be enveloped in wonderful sights, sounds, tastes and aromas characteristic of Asia.

See website for schedule. / SeaWorld San Diego
619-222-4732 / www.seaworld.com/san-diego

Cardiff Kook Run Feb. 3

The Cardiff Kook Run 5K, 10K and Costume Contest. The course starts under the world famous "Encinitas" sign on historic HWY 101. This scenic loop passes by the famous "Cardiff Kook" statue (The Magic Carpet Ride), rises above some of the most popular surf breaks in the world and heads down to Cardiff State Beach.

7am-12pm / 505 S Coast Highway 101, Encinitas
www.cardiffkookrun.com

San Diego Improv Festival Feb. 7-10

The festival will offer professional workshops and performances from a selection of hand-picked improv teams from cities around the country.

Tenth Avenue Arts Center, San Diego
www.sdimprovfestival.com

San Diego International Jewish Film Festival Feb. 7-17

The festival annually showcases a selection of the best contemporary Jewish-related films in multiple genres and aims to educate and illuminate the diverse Jewish experience through evocative, independent narrative and documentary films.

Lawrence Family Jewish Community Center, La Jolla
858-362-1348 / www.sdcjc.org/sdjff

Kuumba Fest Feb. 8-10

"Black 2 Excellence" Kuumba (Swahili for "creativity") Fest brings together community leaders, local performers and celebrities for an annual audience that averages 5,000. From gospel to hip-hop and theater to dance, SD's Kuumba Fest present a wide showcase of arts that celebrate Black American culture in all its variety.

See website for schedule of events. / Lyceum: 79 Horton Plaza
www.kuumbafest.com

San Diego Tet Festival Feb. 8-10

Join us in welcoming the Year of the Pig as we Spring To New Horizons! Miss Vietnam San Diego Pageant, Lion dancing all 3 days, A new cultural village, Beer Garden, Full Carnival Rides, Golden Voice contest and Dancing contests, Game Booth with prizes, 2 stages with non-stop entertainment, Food vendors with variety of foods from cultures all around the world!

Mira Mesa Community Park www.sdtet.com

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Escondido Chocolate Festival Feb. 9

Stroll through Downtown Escondido's various designated restaurants, shops and spas while sampling chocolates paired with local fine wines and craft beers. Take a romantic horse-drawn carriage ride down Historic Grand Avenue. Don't miss the 2nd Saturday, Escondido Arts & Culture events!

1-5pm / Historic Downtown Escondido

760-877-8582 / www.downtownescondido.com

Brewbies Beer Festival Feb. 9

Enjoy an array of outstanding, interesting, unique and (our favorite) signature PINK beers from over 40 of the best breweries around! As always, we donate 100% of the proceeds from Brewbies to the Keep A Breast Foundation to help support their mission of empowering young people around the world with breast health education and support!

12-5pm / Bagby Beer Company, Oceanside www.brewbies.org

Mermaid Half Marathon San Diego Feb. 9

Mermaid returns to San Diego's Mission Bay for a scenic women's 5K, 10K, and Half Marathon. The course features beautiful Bay views and the majority of the course takes place on closed roads. The flat course is ideal for both runners and walkers. Mermaids receive a stylish race shirt, finisher medal and necklace!

7-11am / South Shores Park, Mission Bay www.mermaidseries.com

Cabrillo Sunrise 5K Fun Run & Walk Feb. 9

Spectacular ocean views in a unique setting at an hour of the day when the park is normally closed. Plus, your participation helps with the park's many programs, including science education for underprivileged children.

6:30-9am / Cabrillo National Monument, Point Loma www.cnmf.org

Coronado Valentine's Day 10K, 5K & 1 Mile Run Feb. 10

Each 10K, 5K, 1 mile participant receives a high quality t-shirt, an awesome finishers medal, continental breakfast, photos with heart sweets, and beer garden. Islander hand carved tikis will be awarded to the top 3 finishers in each age category, men and women.

6:30-11am / Tidelands Park www.valentinesday10k.com

Sweetheart's Ball Feb. 15

This is a family event for children on up to grand-parents. Sweethearts young and old are invited to attend an evening of dancing. Light hors d'oeuvres, treats and refreshments will be provided. Photo backdrops will be available so bring your camera to capture your memories of the evening.

6-8pm / Encinitas Community Center

760-633-2740 / www.encinitaschamber.com

5K Paw Walk in the Garden Feb. 16

Once each year Rancho Coastal Humane Society (RCHS) and the San Diego Botanic Garden join paws to raise funds that support people, plants, and animals. There will be pet products, food (for people), treats (for dogs), lots of great information for dog lovers, and (of course) dogs and puppies!

8am-12pm / San Diego Botanic Garden, Encinitas

760-436-3036 / www.sdbgarden.org

Chula Vista Champions Celebration Feb. 16

We will award those who have been recognized in the last five years either locally, regionally, nationally or internationally for their achievements. These champions can represent Chula Vista in academics, sports, community service, cultural arts, and more. You can submit an individual or a team, class or other group. Self submissions are welcome and encouraged.

11am-1pm / Chula Vista Elite Athlete Training Center

www.chulavistaca.gov

Chinese New Year Fair Feb. 16-17

Traditional and cultural entertainment all day long on both days, LION DANCES, kung fu, traditional instruments, classic Chinese dances, and so much more! Special Chinese Acrobatic performance both days!

10am-5pm / Downtown SD: Third Ave. & J St. www.sdcny.org

American Red Cross Blood Drive Feb. 21

Make sure to hydrate and eat lots of iron-rich foods to ensure a successful donation. Nationwide, someone needs a unit of blood every 2 to 3 seconds and most of us will need blood in our lifetime.

9am-3pm / 1 Civic Center Drive, San Marcos

760-744-9000 / <http://www.san-marcos.net>

ConDor 2019 Feb. 22-24

"Through the Looking Glass: Alternate Realities" ConDor is San Diego's long-running Science Fiction & Fantasy convention. Enjoy panel discussions, classes, workshops, art show, vendor hall, karaoke, dance and much more. Meet authors, artists and cosplayers.

Handlery Hotel: 950 Hotel Circle North www.condorcon.org

Silver Bay Kennel Dog Show Feb. 22-24

AKC All-breed Dog Shows, Conformation, obedience, rally and agility trials. AKC Canine Good Citizen Testing (Saturday 1pm) and AKC Trick Dog Title (Saturday, following CGC Testing). Dog Show Tour at 10am. Meet 50 AKC Breeds (Seaside Pavilion) from 10am-2pm. Over 50 doggie boutiques selling pet supplies and gifts.

Del Mar Fairgrounds www.silverbaykc.com

Sycamore Canyon Trail Races Feb. 23

Registration Requirements: 100k Solo runners must have completed at least one 50k+ race. The 100k Course is approximately 102KM and the 50k Course is approximately 51KM. More for your money!

4:30-10:30pm / Goodan Ranch Sycamore Canyon Preserve

<http://dirtyfeet.us/trailraces/sycamore>

San Diego Camp Fair Feb. 23

Want to find a summer camp but don't know where to start? Be sure to bring your whole family and all your friends as you go booth-to-booth meeting camp directors, asking questions, gathering promotional materials and learning about their programs. We'll have games, food and prizes, too, plus lots of activities for the kids and the opportunity for you to win a free camp session from participating camps.

12-3pm / Casa Del Prado-Room 101, Balboa Park

www.lasummercamps.com

East County Honors Annual Awards Gala Feb. 23

Honoring businesses and individuals for their accomplishments and recognizing the tremendous and lasting impact they've made in our community. "East County Honors" also serves as a fundraiser, raising money to fund community programs and services supported by the Chamber throughout the year.

6-9:30pm / Courtyard by Marriott San Diego El Cajon

619-440-6161 / www.eastcountychamber.org

San Diego Bird Festival Feb. 27-Mar. 3

We're celebrating the birds and habitats of our county, which offer some of the best birding in the U.S. Know that your experience is giving something back to the birds: the proceeds of this festival support the education, conservation, and sanctuary programs of San Diego Audubon Society.

See website for schedule. / Marina Village Conference Center

858-273-7800 / www.sandiegoaudubon.org